

Hurray for Summer!

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Pilots Association teamed up to paint the Compass Rose at ANJ. Wow! It turned out beautifully and we were all treated like queens or maybe even rock stars by the Soo Pilots and Terri Wolski, who did a fantastic job of organizing the entire event. Once the rain cleared up on Saturday morning, we were good to go. ANJ is a lovely airport and the hospitality of those folks is unforgettable.

At the EAA AirVenture, the 99s tent was in a wonderful location, compared to last year. It was fun to swing by and greet the workers and meet up with old friends. Dee, who usually puts many hours in there, was quite busy with the flight simulator in the *Learn to Fly* building. I must report that the simulator is amazing. And I must also report that I did land the plane . . . on the grass to the left of the runway. At least it wasn't a crash landing.

Although not a 99s event, the upcoming Yooper Poker Run sponsored by the EAA chapter in Marquette should be great fun. It will be a wonderful way to see the U.P., eat some yummy food, and have fun trying to win the game. Lynn has been very instrumental in helping organize and work at that event. It all starts at SAW on Saturday, August 21, at 8 a.m. for breakfast.

Next on the docket is the Ford Airport Days on September 18 at IMT. We will have our quarterly business meeting at 9 a.m. (CST) at Kubick Aviation and then we will jump into action with our bake sale. If you can each bring or send along with someone already packaged goodies (maybe 10-15 items), it will help us add to our treasury. I have been canning antipasto and will include that in the sale also, so if you'd like to donate any of your seasonal jams, jellies, or veggies, feel free.

Several of our members have offered to give color tours to adults during this IMT event, weather permitting, to help raise funds as well. My hope is that many of our members will be able to attend, bring some goodies to sell, wander around and just enjoy a day at the airport. I will offer three beds (in our very comfortable trailer) for anyone needing to spend a night over here, if you come early.

If you plan on attending the North Central Section fall meeting October 1-3 in Nashville, please register soon. You can go to the website www.ncs99s.org If you think you'd like to attend the Grand Ole Opry, you'd better register ASAP for the Grand Re-opening on October 1.

On a sad note, we will miss our dear sister 99, Eloise Greenlee. She faithfully participated in chapter events and was a joy to be around. Some of our members were able to attend the memorial service in Hancock and said that the floral arrangement from the Northwoods 99s was truly beautiful and had little airplanes on the ribbon. How fitting for this lovely lady pilot.

As summer fades into fall and the promise of flightseeing color tours excites every pilot, hopefully you are all enjoying the beautiful Northwoods and experiencing daily the blessings of living up here. I look forward to seeing you all here, there, or in the air!